

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

This listing of claims replaces all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

Listing of Claims:

1. (Currently Amended) In an entertainment system that includes a video recording apparatus, a method for automatically recording a fragmented program that includes a series of fragments that are temporally separated from each other and that have been designated as being related one to another wherein each fragment is broadcast to the entertainment system as a separate and independent program from other related fragments, the method comprising the acts of:

providing a list of categories that include one or more fragmented programs for selection to a user;

upon receiving user selection of one of the categories, identifying with electronic program guide data each of one or more fragmented programs that corresponds to the selected category and that is scheduled to be displayed during a specific period of time, wherein the electronic program guide data used to identify the one or more fragmented programs includes a unique identifier that is assigned to each fragment in a group of fragments that are designated by a network as being related, such that the unique identifier is common to each fragment within a corresponding grouping of programs, which are identified by the network as being related, and such that each fragment corresponding to the fragmented program grouping have has a same unique identifier ~~and~~ that is distinguished and independent from a program title;

displaying in a fragmented program list, each of the identified one or more fragmented programs corresponding to the selected category, wherein the fragmented program list only includes the identified one or more fragmented programs;

receiving user input requesting one or more of the displayed fragmented programs in the list to be recorded without requiring the user to separately identify each of the fragments associated with the fragmented programs;

in response to said user input selecting one or more of the displayed fragmented programs, examining the electronic program guide data and identifying each of the fragments corresponding to the selected one or more fragmented programs for each of the identified fragments, automatically determining a start time for the fragment and recording the fragment with the video recording apparatus when the fragment is aired.